

**CAPSULE SUMMARY**

**BA-190**

**Toll House**

**Cockeysville, Baltimore County**

**Circa 1790**

**Private**

Constructed circa 1790, this toll house is located near Cockeysville in the Eighth District of Baltimore County. In 1877, commercial properties in Cockeysville included a blacksmith's shop, a carriage manufacturer, two merchants, and a marble works. By 1881, the small town's population had grown to 270 people located at this important intersection. In 1881, the village of Ashland sustained a population of 445. The Ashland Iron Company maintained its furnaces at this primal junction next to the Northern Central Railroad. By the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, the town of Cockeysville and its vicinity had established a flourishing trade industry supported by agriculture, mills, and marble quarries. This building is noted on the 1850, 1877, and the 1915 atlas' as a toll gate.

Standing adjacent to York Road, this building functioned as a tollhouse for the turnpike. Facing southeast, it is surrounded by mature and immature trees with landscaping and is sited on a sloping grassy lot. It is resting on a solid random rubble stone foundation and is constructed of wood frame clad with German weatherboard siding. It is one story high and two bays wide. The façade has one window opening, which is covered with wood louvered shutters. Access to the building is provided with a double-leaf wood 4-panel door. It is capped with a cross gable roof clad with standing-seam metal. Rising above the roof are three chimneys; an exterior-end stone chimney, interior-center parged chimney, and one exterior-end concrete block chimney. A shed roof screened porch is seen on the wing addition. Features of the house include a boxed wood cornice, a pulley device on the front gable, and corner boards. A concrete block addition is located on the rear elevation. Two non-historic sheds are associated with this property.

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## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Toll House

other

### 2. Location

street and number 13822 York Road not for publication

city, town Cockeysville vicinity

county Baltimore

### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Walter Salmon, Jr.

street and number P.O. Box 97 telephone

city, town Luth-Timonium state MD zip code 21094-0097

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 42/70

city, town Towson liber 5444 folio 850

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District  
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER  
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT  
☐ Other:

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	1 2 buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	_____ structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	_____ objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	1 2 Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			1

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ altered

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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Standing adjacent to York Road, this building was constructed circa 1790 and functioned as a tollhouse for the turnpike. Facing southeast, it is surrounded by mature and immature trees with landscaping and is sited on a sloping grassy lot. It is resting on a solid random rubble stone foundation and is constructed of wood frame clad with German weatherboard siding. It is one story high and two bays wide. The façade has one window opening, which is covered with wood louvered shutters. Access to the building is provided with a double-leaf wood 4-panel door. It is capped with a cross gable roof clad with standing-seam metal. Rising above the roof are three chimneys; an exterior-end stone chimney, interior-center parged chimney, and one exterior-end concrete block chimney. A shed roof screened porch is seen on the wing addition. Features of the house include a boxed wood cornice, a pully device on the front gable, and corner boards. A concrete block addition is located on the rear elevation.

Two non-historic sheds are associated with this property. Both are pre-fabricated circa 1990, one-story high, one bay wide and wood frame. They are clad with vertical board siding with a front gambrel roof.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military		<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates	1790 ca.	Architect	Unknown
Construction dates	1790 ca.	Builder	Unknown

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

Constructed circa 1790, this toll house is located near Cockeysville in the Eighth District of Baltimore County. In 1838, the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad officially opened, passing through the town of Cockeysville, for travel from Baltimore to the Maryland/Pennsylvania line. In 1854, the Baltimore and Susquehanna, York and Maryland, York and Cumberland, and Susquehanna Railroad Companies were consolidated into the Northern Central Railroad Company, one of the largest railroad companies in Maryland. Thus, its location near the junction of the York Road and the Northern Central Railroad enabled Cockeysville to grow continually through the latter half of the 19th century.<sup>1</sup>

In 1877, commercial properties in Cockeysville included a blacksmith's shop, a carriage manufacturer, two merchants, and a marble works.<sup>2</sup> By 1881, the small town's population had grown to 270 people located at this important intersection. In 1881, the village of Ashland sustained a population of 445. The Ashland Iron Company maintained its furnaces at this primal junction next to the Northern Central Railroad. By the late 19th century, the town of Cockeysville and its vicinity had established a flourishing trade industry supported by agriculture, mills, and marble quarries. This building is noted on the 1850, 1877, and the 1915 atlas' as a toll gate.

1. J. Thomas Scharf, History of Baltimore City and County from the Earliest Period to the Present Day: Including Biographical Sketches of Their Representative Men (Philadelphia, PA: Louis H. Everts, 1881), pp. 344-345.

2. Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland (Philadelphia, PA: G. M. Hopkins, 1877).

### Bibliography

Baltimore County Historic Inventory.

Brooks, Neal A. and Eric G. Rockel. A History of Baltimore County. Towson, MD: Friends of the Towson Library, Inc., 1979.

Map of Baltimore County. Philadelphia, PA: G. W. Bromley, 1915.

Scharf, J. Thomas. History of Baltimore City and County From the Earliest Period to the Present Day: Including Biographical Sketches of Their Representative Men.

Philadelphia, PA: Louis H. Everts, 1881. Reprinted by Higginson Book Company, Salem,

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Sidney, J. C. Map of the City and County of Baltimore, Maryland, from Original  
Surveys. Baltimore, MD: James M. Stephens, 1850.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland. Philadelphia, PA: G. M. Hopkins, 1877.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	<u>.19 Acres</u>		
Acreage of historical setting	<u>Unknown</u>		
Quadrangle name	<u>Hereford, MD</u>	Quadrangle scale	<u>1:24,000</u>

### Verbal boundary description and justification

This dwelling is located at 13822 York Road in the Eighth District of Baltimore County. It has historically been associated with tax map 42 on parcel 70 since its construction.

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title	K. Baynard/Architectural Historian		
organization	E.H.T. Traceries	date	5/23/2002
street and number	1121 Fifth Street, NW	telephone	202/393-119
city or town	Washington	state	DC zipcode 20001

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust  
DHCD/DHCP  
100 Community Place  
Crownsville MD 21032  
410-514-7600

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c. 1810

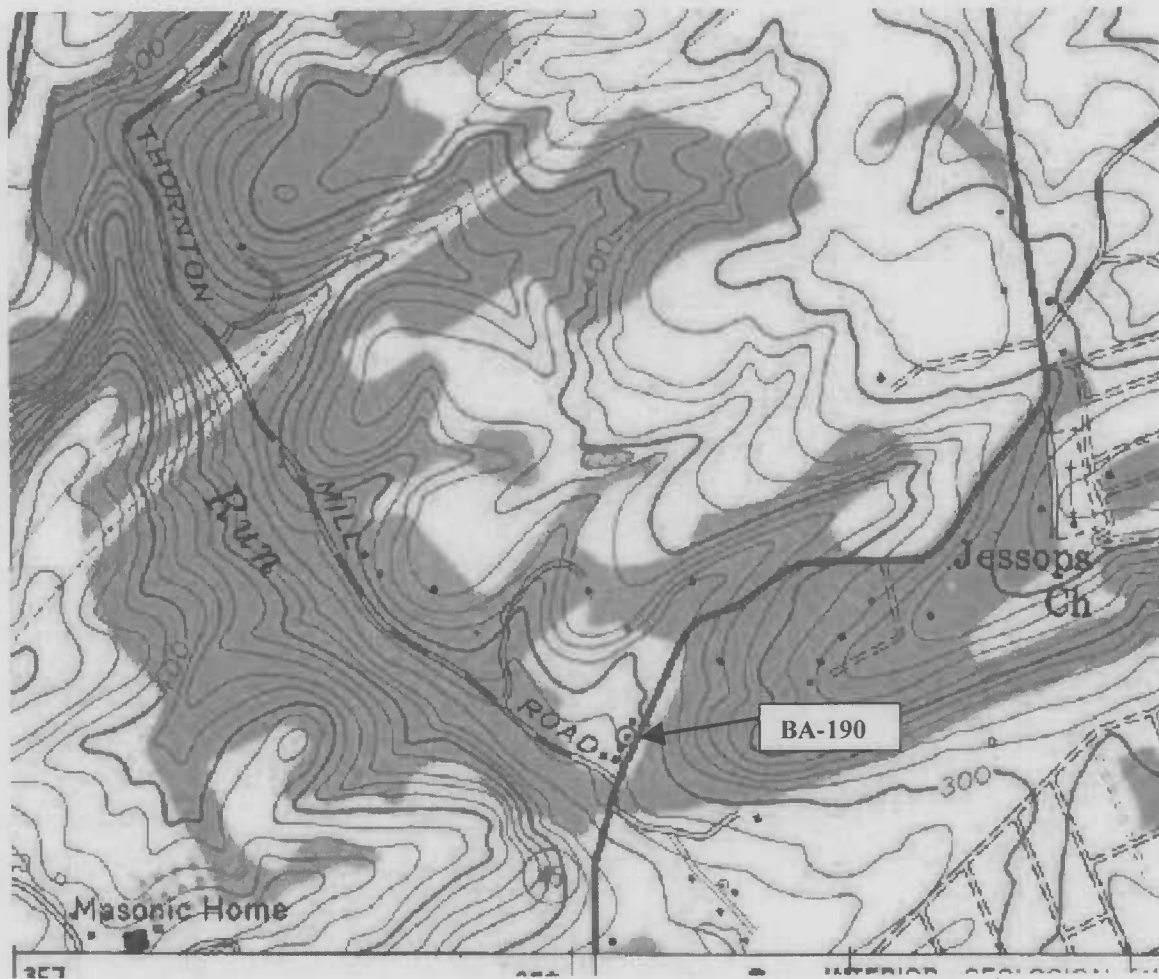
Tollgate Keeper's House, Fifteen Mile Hill

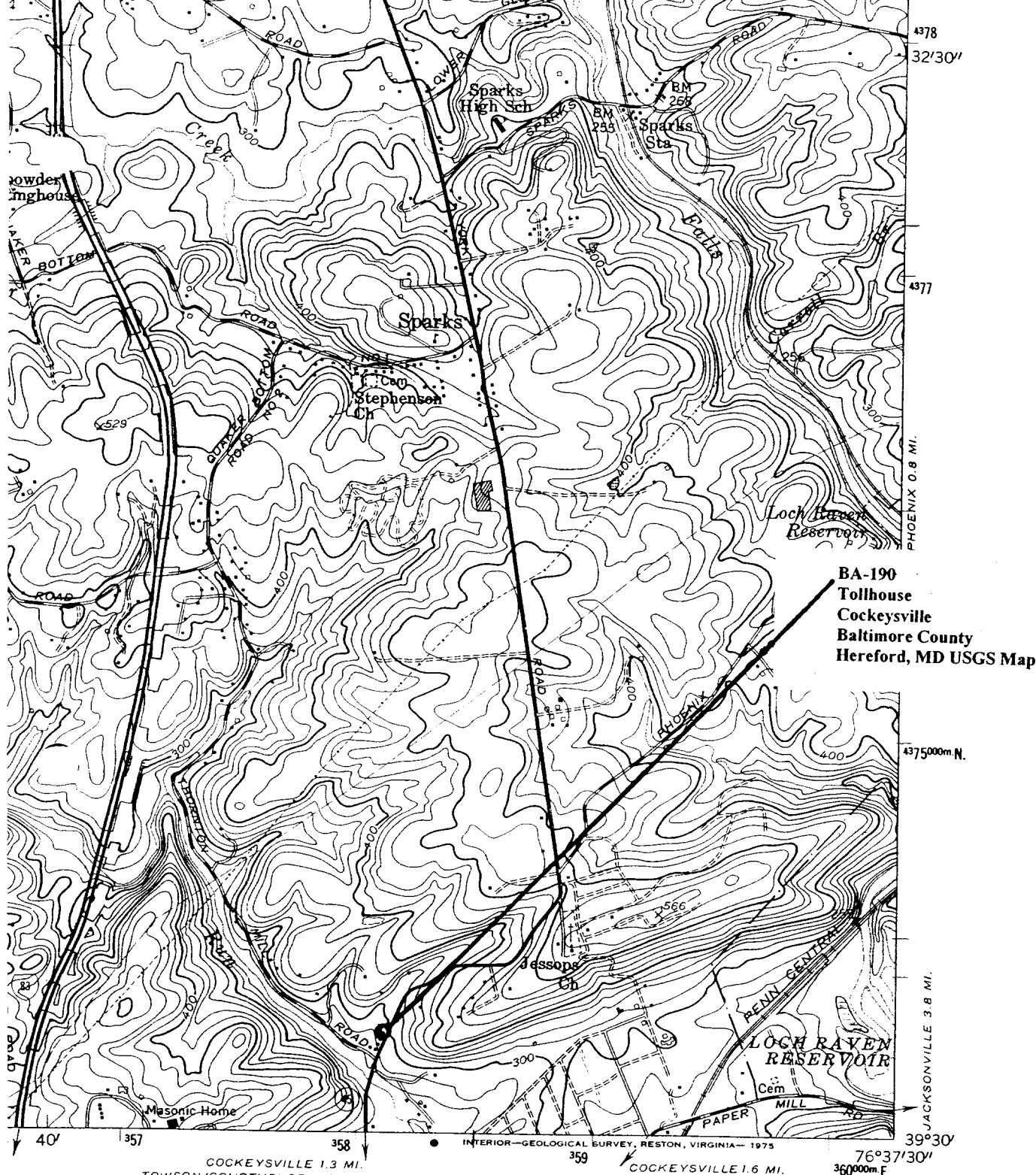
13822 York Road (MD 45)

Cockeysville

Hereford quadrangle

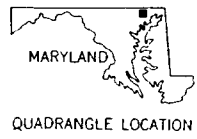
The Tollgate Keeper's House at Fifteen Mile Hill is a stone, frame, and clapboard structure in vernacular style, with a gable roof on the frame and clapboard two-story portion, and a shed roof on the one-story stone kitchen wing, which has a massive stone chimney and dates from c. 1810. Built on land leased from Joseph Thornburg, manager of the turnpike, stockholder, and also owner of Thornton Mill, the structure is located near the now-vanished 15-mile stone. The Baltimore and York Town Turnpike Company later took title to the property. The first gatekeeper was John Hatton. The property was sold off by the company in 1911 to Nicholas R. Stevenson. Owner: Walter Salmon, Jr.





ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	—————	Light-duty	—————
Medium-duty	—————	Unimproved dirt	=====
U. S. Route		State Route	



# HEREFORD, MD.

N 3930—W 7637.5/7.5  
1958  
PHOTOREVISED 1974  
AMS 5663 II SW—SERIES V833





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Tollhouse

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TRACERIES

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MD SHPD

SOUTHEAST CORNER

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TOLLHOUSE

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NORTHEAST CORNER

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MD SHPD

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